UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

In re:	Case No. 17-34514 (Chapter 7)
Michael A. Damko,	
Debtor.	
	Adv. Pro. No
Patterson Dental Supply, Inc.,	
Plaintiff,	
v.	
Michael A. Damko,	
Defendant.	

COMPLAINT OF PATTERSON DENTAL SUPPLY, INC. OBJECTING TO DISCHARGABILITY OF A DEBT PURSUANT TO SECTION 523 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

Plaintiff, Patterson Dental Supply, Inc., (the "**Plaintiff**") by and through its undersigned counsel, for its complaint objecting to dischargability pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §523 against Michael A. Damko (the "**Defendant**"), states and alleges as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter for this proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1334(b), 157(a) and (b)(1) and 11 U.S.C. §523.
- 2. This adversary proceeding relates to the Chapter 7 case of Defendant, Case No. 17-34514, pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, filed on November 17, 2017.

- 3. Venue is proper in the Northern District of Illinois pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1409 because Defendant's bankruptcy case is pending in the Northern District of Illinois.
- 4. Plaintiff has standing to bring this action under 11 U.S.C. § 523(a)(6) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7001(6).
- 5. The Plaintiff's Complaint against Defendant constitutes a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(I) because Plaintiff is seeking a determination of the nondischargeability of a debt.
- 6. The deadline to file an objection to discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §727 is February 12, 2018.

OBJECTION TO DISCHARGABILITY OF DEBT PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(6)

- 7. Plaintiff is a Minnesota corporation that sells dental equipment to licensed dentists throughout the country.
 - 8. Defendant is a dentist licensed to practice in the State of Illinois.
- 9. Plaintiff sold dental equipment to defendant pursuant to a contract (#xx8376) dated December 18, 2008, a copy of which is attached to the Complaint herein as *Exhibit 1* (the "Contract"). The specific items of dental equipment sold under the Contract, (the "Equipment") are more particularly described on Schedule A to *Exhibit 1*.
- 10. Under the terms of the Contract, defendant granted plaintiff a purchase-money security interest in the Equipment.
- 11. Plaintiff perfected its first security interest in the Equipment as evidenced by the UCC-1 financing statement filed December 22, 2008 as No. 13901449 and amended by the UCC financing statement amendment filed July 18, 2013 as No. 9251730.

- 12. Defendant breached the Contract by failing to make the required installment payments when due.
- 13. Plaintiff accelerated the indebtedness owed under the Contract as a result of Defendant's breach.
- 14. As of November 21, 2016, Defendant owed Plaintiff the sum of \$122,717.66 under the Contract.
- 15. Defendant agreed that he would not sell or otherwise dispose of the Equipment without the consent of the Plaintiff unless and until all the Contract indebtedness has been paid.
- 16. Sometime in December 2015, Defendant, without the knowledge or consent of Plaintiff, willfully and maliciously, and with intent to deprive Plaintiff of its security, sold, transferred, conveyed or otherwise disposed of the Equipment.
- 17. The value of the Equipment at the time of the sale, transfer, conveyance or disposal was not less than \$30,000.00.
- 18. Defendant acted with full knowledge that the sale, transfer, conveyance or disposal of the Equipment which Plaintiff had a right to possess and sell, and the retention of proceeds therefrom, constituted willful and malicious injury to the property of Plaintiff.
- 19. Defendant agreed to pay all Plaintiff's reasonable attorney fees, court costs and other expenses arising out of or any default or exercise of any Contract remedies.
- 20. Under §523(a)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code, the debt owed by Defendant to Plaintiff is non-dischargeable.

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Wherefore, Plaintiff prays this Court for the entry of an order declaring that the debt owed by Michael A. Damko to Patterson Dental Supply, Inc. in an amount to be determined but in no event less than \$30,000.00, to be nondischargeable under \$523(a)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code, together with an award of attorney fees, costs and expenses and for such other relief as the Court deems just.

Dated: January 24, 2018

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By:/s/ Deborah S. Ashen

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